April 14, 2022

The Honorable Adam Smith Chairman Committee on Armed Services U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Mike Rogers Ranking Member Committee on Armed Services U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Smith and Ranking Member Rogers:

I am requesting funding for the Smith Goldberg Readiness Center in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Vermont Army National Guard, located at 789 Vermont National Guard Road, Colchester, VT 05446.

The funding would be used to construct a National Guard Readiness Center in Colchester, Vermont. This project is designed to meet training and operational requirements in support of Company C (Med), 186th Brigade Support Battalion (BSB). The 186th BSB is currently housed in the Winooski Armory, which was built in 1955, is located on a 1.5-acre site in a residential neighborhood, and cannot be expanded. The Winooski Armory is in poor condition and planned for demolition.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Peter Welch

Member of Congress